



**TOM CILMI**  
**Suffolk County Legislator**  
**10th District**

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**HELPING ISLIP ANIMAL SHELTER!**



Connor Autera and Tatum Hardekopf of Bay Shore stopped by the residence of Legislator Tom Cilmi. The fourth grade students at Sherwood Elementary School in Islip collected blankets for use at the Islip Animal Shelter. After visiting the animal shelter, the two decided they wanted to "make the animals more comfortable while they wait to be adopted."

Cilmi praised the two classmates for their thoughtfulness and volunteer spirit. He said, "Most youngsters would be spending a beautiful autumn day playing with their friends. Tatum and Connor sacrificed their time for a great cause, and in so doing, set a wonderful example for all of us. They deserve a lot of credit."